8:00  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30  Welcome and Introduction

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Session I - Advances in Genomics and IBD

8:45 – 9:15  Judy Cho, MD
Associate Professor of Medicine (Digestive Diseases) and of Genetics; Director, Inflammatory Bowel Disease Center,
Yale University
“The current status and future prospects of genomics in IBD”

9:15 – 9:45  Hakon Hakonarson, MD, PhD
Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
“The genomics of pediatric IBD: how kids differ from adults?”

9:45 – 10:15  Frederic Bushman, PhD
Professor of Microbiology, University of Pennsylvania
“Application of genomic technologies to the study of gut microbes and viruses”

10:15 – 10:30  Break

10:30 – 11:00  Ramnik Xavier, MD
Associate Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School and the Chief of Gastroenterology at the Massachusetts
General Hospital
“Putting it all together: extending functional genomics to identify novel approaches to treat patients with IBD”

11:00 – 11:30  Jerrold Turner, PhD
Professor and Associate Chair, Department of Pathology/MPMM, University of Chicago
“Genomic, intestinal epithelial barrier dysfunction, and the pathogenesis of IBD”

11:30 – 12:00  Nita Salzman, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor, Medical College of Wisconsin
“Paneth cells: host defense and the gut microbiome”

12:00 – 1:30  Lunch and Poster Session

Session II continued

1:30-2:00  Gabriel Nunez, MD
Paul de Kruif Endowed Professor, University of Michigan Medical School
“Innate immunity, PRRs, NOD2, and IBD”

2:00 – 2:30  Gregory Sonnenberg, PhD Post-doctoral Researcher, University of Pennsylvania
“IL22 as the guardian at the intestinal mucosal interface”

2:30  Closing Remarks

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